

Lakeside News

May-August 2015 Edition

Hickory Creek Hires Town Administrator

On Tuesday, April 14th, longtime Hickory Creek Mayor John Smith stepped down from his position effective immediately. Mayor Smith has dedicated 13 years of volunteer service to Hickory Creek, and served on the Town Council, the Economic Development Corporation, and as Council liaison to numerous other boards.

Since the retirement of former Town Administrator Roger Mangum in December, the duties of administration were assumed by the mayor's office, and Smith has effectively served in that capacity, in addition to his duties as mayor. After careful deliberation, the Town Council voted unanimously to extend an offer for the full-time position of Town Administrator to Mr. Smith, and he accepted.

Mr. Smith has spear-headed major projects during his tenure as mayor, including construction of the new Public Works and Animal Services facilities, the sale of the prior town hall property to TxDOT for over \$1.2 million, the construction of our Veteran's Memorial, and the service contract with the Lake Cities Fire Department. Road and infrastructure improvements totaling over \$3.5 million have been completed allowing for development of additional neighborhoods which will bring over 250 new homes to Hickory Creek. Most recently, Mayor Smith worked with County Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell to secure over \$4 million in road construction funding from Denton County. These funds will be used to expand Point Vista road to Park Ridge, and for a joint project with Lake Dallas to reconstruct Main Street from the railroad tracks to Westlake Park.

Mr. Smith has been actively engaged in the day-to-day operations of the town for nine years, giving him a wealth of "on the job" training, and an excellent working knowledge of all facets of town management. Mr. Smith brings twenty-five years of management experience from his professional career, has established relationships in both the public and private sector, and is well respected in the community.

Mr. Smith is currently enrolled in the Texas Certified Public Management program offered through the William P. Hobby Center for Public Service at Texas State University.

The Council determined that Mr. Smith's leadership skills, his experience and expertise in town operations, and his well-demonstrated commitment to public service make him the perfect fit for the Hickory Creek Town Administrator position.

Emergency Notification:



Please Register Now



CodeRED is an emergency notification system that utilizes text, email, and phone notifications to keep the public up-to-date on the most current weather situations. The Town of Hickory Creek is under the Denton County Emergency Operations Plan and covered by Denton County CodeRED. CodeRED is simple and FREE.

Please take a moment to fill in the appropriate information on the website listed below to be notified by your local emergency response team in the event of emergency situations or critical community alerts. Receive timely weather statements on severe weather from the National Weather Service by selecting Weather Warn Other Examples include: Sever weather, evacuation notices, bio-terrorism alerts, boil water notices, and missing child reports.

Go to: http://dentoncounty.com/emergencynotifications and click on CodeRed to register or go to hickorycreek-tx.gov to register.



"High Five" Tour stops in Hickory Creek

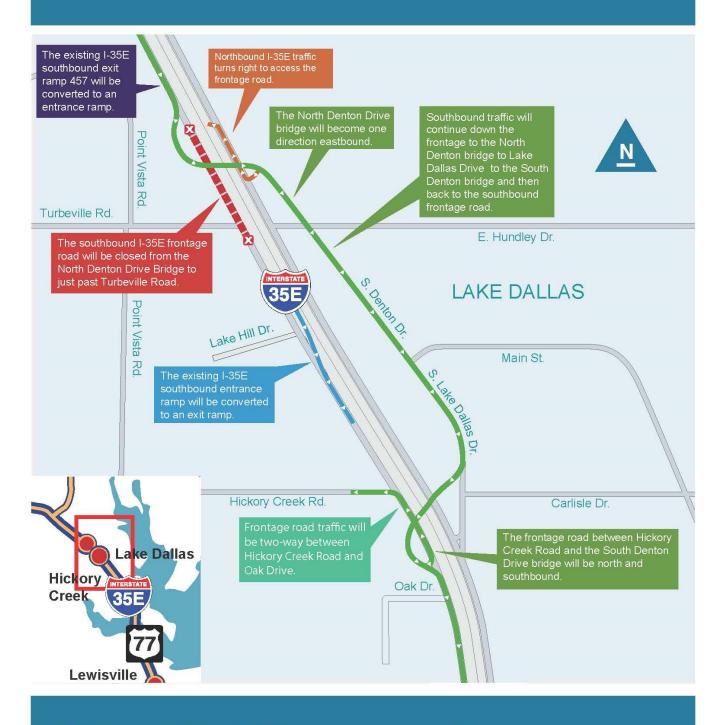
On Monday, May 4, 2015, the Wounded Warriors Family Support organization brought their 2015 "High Five" Tour to Cornelius Center in Hickory Creek. The High Five Tour (www.HighFiveTour.com) is a 48-state road trip across America that benefits Wounded Warriors Family Support's "Mobility is Freedom" program. The goal of the tour is to raise money to purchase mobility-equipped Ford vehicles for wounded veterans.

National Motor Club of Hickory Creek sponsored the visit, which featured a 2015 Ford Explorer and 2015 Ford F-150. The vehicles will be driven more than 26,000 miles across the USA, with stops in 100 cities. National Motor Club leaders sponsored the event, and presented the organization a \$10,000 check.

Mayor Pro Tem Lynn Clark, Councilman Richard DuPree and Town Administrator John Smith were on hand for the ceremony, and presented a donation to the organization on behalf of the Town of Hickory Creek. Each attendee was invited to sign the vehicles, to show their support for wounded veterans and their families.



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Don't spend your 4th of July stuck in line shelling out your hard-earned cash. Come to the Lake Cities 4th of July celebration and you'll enjoy all these things for FREE: parade, kids' water slides, horse rides, contests with cash prizes, live music (including a Battle of the Bands) and one of the biggest fireworks shows in the area. We'll also have a great selection of vendors and food trucks. So trade in a hectic day at other pricey events for a full, relaxing day of fun at Lake Dallas City Park. Visit the event webpage for more information, www.lakedallas.com/210/Lake-Cities-4th-of-July.











The City of Lake Dallas is scouring the North Texas area in search of talented, amateur musicompete in the Battle of the cians to Prizes include \$750, \$500 and \$250 Bands. with some pretty sweet bragging rights. Take advantage of this unique opportunity to get your band noticed and win big bucks at the same time. Texas Country singer Jake Ward will MC this epic battle as a part of the Lake Cities 4th of July celebration at City Park. This is your chance – hurry and apply before the June 12th deadline. Find out more about the showdown at www.lakedallas.com/210/Lake-Citites-4th-of-July.



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This is not always the most effective deterrent to someone wanting to burglarize your property.



Hickory Creek requires all alarm systems, whether residential or commercial, to be registered with the town annually in January. Any system found without a permit is subject to possible citations. Fees may also be assessed for repeated false alarm calls from an alarm system. Applications are available on the Permits page of the town website or come by the Building Department at Town Hall.

For more information contact 940/497-2528.







Neighbors helping Neighbors.





DENTON COUNTY BOATERS!! ZEBRA MUSSELS ARE NOT YOUR FRIENDS!!!

Starting in 2014, TPWD rules require that you drain all water from your vessel when leaving a Denton County lake. This applies to ALL types of watercraft. For complete information go to www/texasinvasives.org/.

There are also new rules for the transport of live bait and fish.

Protect yourself from West Nile virus

Use insect repellent* when you go outside.

Drain standing water regularly. Mosquitoes breed in water that collects in buckets, tires, gutters, and saucers.

Wear long sleeves and pants at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active.

Keep screens on doors and windows in good condition to keep mosquitoes out.



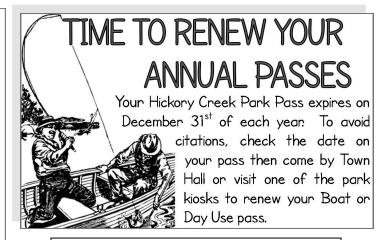
* Approved repellents contain DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus



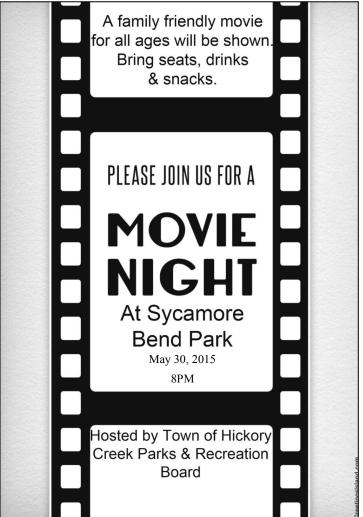
www.txwestnile.org







Make sure you check the status of the parks before you go . You can see if they are open or closed by visiting our website at hickorycreek-tx.gov





84th Texas Legislature

In accordance with the Texas Constitution, the Legislature meets in regular session in Austin every two years on odd-numbered years. On January 13th, 2015 at noon the 84th Legislature of Texas convened. This session is limited to 140 days duration, and will end on June 1st, 2015.

March 13th, 2015 was the deadline for filing a new bill and the count ended with 6,300 bills being filed. The Texas two-house system consisting of a 31-member senate, and a 150-member house of representatives is responsible for the task of deciding which bills may become laws. Due to this volume of work, committees are created in each chamber to consider introduced bills and to advise on their disposition. A large number of bills never make it out of committee, making this the first crucial step in the process by which a bill becomes a law.

If a bill is sent to the governor he has 10 to 20 days in which to sign the bill, veto it, or allow it to become law without a signature. A two-thirds majority in each chamber is required to override a veto. June 21st, 2015 will be the last day the governor can sign or veto bills passed during the regular session.

The majority of Texas legislative information is available online. You can read current bills, track the status of a bill you may be interested in and view the live video of sessions in process at Texas Legislature Online at www.capitol.state.tx.us or at the Texas Legislative Library at www.lrl.state.tx.us





Register your cat or dog at Town Hall. Just bring in a copy of their rabies certificate. There is no charge for registration.



For more information go to www.35express.org



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HICKORY CREEK "LEASH LAWS"

Many of you have asked what the ordinances are regarding the "leash law" for Hickory Creek. Basically, as long as your cat or dog is in your front yard under your direct supervision, they are free to run and play off a leash. Once your pet leaves your private property, such as the sidewalk or street, you are in violation and can be ticketed for each offense. Walking your dog and going for a visit to one of the parks also requires your dog be kept on a leash or you can be ticketed.

Let's keep our pets and each other safe!

Sec. 2.01.001 Definitions

At large. Not completely confined by a building, wall, or fence of sufficient strength or construction to restrain the animal, except when such animal is either on a leash or held in the hands of the owner or keeper, or under direct supervision of the owner within the limits of the owner's private property. An animal within an automobile or other vehicle of its owner shall not be deemed "running at large."

Sec. 2.01.002 Running at large

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any dog or other animal possessed, kept, or harbored, other than a cat, to run at large as is defined in section 2.01.001.
- (b) The animal control officer is authorized to impound such animals running at large, other than a cat, and may impound a cat under conditions specified in <u>article 2.04</u>, or when he has received a complaint that the cat has caused a nuisance or hazard to the health or welfare of the human or animal population.

Chief's Corner May 2015

Greetings to you from the Police Department! I am Interim Chief Carey Dunn, and I'd like to discuss with you some of the achievements of the department as well as some items of interest in local events.

First, I would like to welcome two new officers to HCPD. We were fortunate enough to hire Ms. Joana Escobar. Recruit Escobar comes to us with 11 years of prior experience, is bi-lingual, highly educated, and is a real pleasure to work with! Mr. Clint Shepard has been a welcome addition as well, with over 5 years of experience, supervisory experience and an existing knowledge of the area. Welcome to both of you!

Next, your officers have completed a total of 422 hours of Texas Commission on Law Enforcement training this quarter. This is a part of our commitment to provide the citizens of Hickory Creek with the best possible service, most up-to-date information, and highest quality officers we can produce. Congratulations to each and every officer who chose to better themselves and take courses this quarter! Your hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated.

I have recently graduated from the Institute for Law Enforcement Administration's flagship program, the 52nd School of Executive Leadership. This course is an internationally acclaimed program designed for law enforcement officials in upper management positions, and is on the cutting edge of leadership and police department development programs. Students from all across the country attended the course. Attendees received 9 hours of graduate level university credit for the successful completion of the program, and had to complete extensive reading, writing and research throughout the program. It was an amazing experience and I am ever grateful for the opportunity.

We have certainly had a productive spring so far! Is anyone else ready for a little more sunshine and a little less rain? On that note, the Town has been forced to close all Town lake parks and boat docks for safety reasons. All Army Corps of Engineer Parks in the area have been closed due to flooding as well. There are also many road closures and detours due to flooding, so make sure you pay close attention and NEVER TRY TO DRIVE THROUGH A FLOODED ROADWAY!! It only takes 6 inches of water to lift a car off the roadway. Check the town's website frequently for updated information on closures and detours.

Finally, as promised, we have been working hard to build relationships and communication in the community. Last quarter, I announced a new program called Citizen 2 Police. Since then, officers have randomly made contact with over 50 people and received valuable feedback and built relationships with many of you. I have made efforts to reach out to community leaders, such as the President of the Denton County NAACP, local business owners and managers, and religious institutions. These communications have proved to be valuable already and are just the foundation of a much bigger plan to have truly meaningful communication and input from all areas in our community.

As always, please contact me with anything that may be on your mind. I am out of my office quite a bit, but I will return your call or email as soon as I can. My direct office phone number is (940) 497-3520 ext 254. My email address is carey.dunn@hickorycreek-tx.gov. Or, connect with us on Facebook (search Hickory Creek Police Department) and Twitter (@PoliceCreek). You are always welcome at your Police Department, come stop by and get to know us! We would like to get to know you. Be safe out there!



NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS! HICKORY CREEK C.O.P.'S!

Citizens On Patrol needs YOUR HELP!

The Hickory Creek Police Department Citizens On Patrol program is now accepting applications. Come get started now! (Must be 21+)



Help protect your community!

Be an inspiration to your family and friends!

Make a difference in your neighborhood!

Gain knowledge and experience unlike anything you've had before!

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HICKORY CREEK POLICE DEPT.

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Contact Lt. Carey Dunn for details.

http://www.hickorycreektx.gov/police

Carmike Cinemas Hickory Creek 16 Summer Kid's Series





















All Features Presented in 2D Every Thursday at 10:00AM

Rise of the Guardians	6/18/2015	Shrek Forever After	7/23/2015
How Train Your Dragon 2	6/25/2015	Marmaduke	7/30/2015
Monsters vs Aliens	7/2/2015	Toothfairy	8/6/2015
The Croods	7/9/2015	Spongebob- Out Water 8/13/2015	
Megamind	7/16/2015	Paddington	8/20/2015

All Seats \$4.00 which includes Admission, a Small Popcorn, and a Small Drink!

Carmike Cinemas Hickory Creek 16 8380 S Stemmons Freeway Hickory Creek, TX 75065

Carmike Classic Cinema Film Series

Pricing: \$5.00 per guest Carmike Hickory Creek 16 8380 S Stemmons Fwy Start Time: 7:00 pm

Rating: PG-13
Run Time: 117
Playdate: 5/19/15

Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 2: <u>Blue Velvet</u>

Rating: R Run Time: 120 Playdate: 5/26/15 Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 3: The English Patient

Rating: R Run Time: 162 Playdate: 6/2/15 Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 4: <u>Diamonds Are Forever</u>

Rating: GP Run Time: 120 Playdate: 6/9/15 Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 5: Gangs of NY

Rating: R
Run Time: 167
Playdate: 6/16/15
Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 6: <u>The Manchurian Candidate</u>

Rating: R Run Time: 129 Playdate: 6/23/15 Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 7: Raging Bull

Rating: R
Run Time: 129
Playdate: 6/30/15
Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 8: Brief Encounter
Rating: NR (1945)

Run Time: 86 Playdate: 7/7/15 Start Time: 7:00 pm Event 9: Some Like It Hot

Rating: NR
Run Time: 120
Playdate: 7/14/15
Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 10: The Usual Suspects

Rating: R Run Time: 106 Playdate: 7/21/15 Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 11: West Side Story

Rating: NR
Run Time: 152
Playdate: 7/28/15
Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 12: <u>Dressed to Kill</u>

 Rating:
 R

 Run Time:
 105

 Playdate:
 8/4/15

 Start Time:
 7:00 pm

 Event 13:
 Fargo

 Rating:
 R

 Run Time:
 98

 Playdate:
 8/11/15

Start Time: 7:00 pm **Event 14: Spaceballs**

Rating: PG
Run Time: 96
Playdate: 8/18/15
Start Time: 7:00 pm

Event 15: The Silence of the Lambs

Rating: R
Run Time: 118
Playdate: 8/25/15
Start Time: 7:00 pm

Audience Announcements Ballets

Royal Ballet: Manon - May 28:

We are excited to announce our Ballet Series from the legendary Royal Opera House in London beginning May 28th with **Manon**. An intensely romantic tale of wide-eyed innocence, **Manon** tells the story of an impulsive young woman who faces temptation and is drawn into a world of male desire. This ballet series is one example of the diverse alternative content programs we'll be bringing to this theater. Stay tuned for more exciting special events!

Royal Ballet: Alice's Adventures in Wonderland – June 11

Today we'll take you from Carmike to the legendary Royal Opera House in London for Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, one of the best dance adaptations of Lewis Carroll's beloved children's classic. Carroll's classic tale about a girl named Alice who falls down a rabbit hole into a fantasy world is brought to life through the luscious gardens and the Mad Hatter's tea party in this unforgettable ballet from The Royal Ballet on June 11. This ballet series is one example of the diverse alternative content programs we'll be bringing to this theater. Stay tuned for more exciting special events!

Royal Ballet: The Winter's Tale - June 25

Winter's Tale on June 25th. Shakespeare's enduring tale of love, loss and reconciliation, The Winter's Tale follows the destruction of a marriage through consuming jealousy, the abandonment of a child and a seemingly hopeless love. Don't miss it on the big screen on June 25. This ballet series is one example of the diverse alternative content programs we'll be bringing to this theater. Stay tuned for more exciting special events!

Royal Ballet: Swan Lake - July 9

On July 9th we'll travel to the legendary Royal Ballet for one of the greatest romantic ballets of all time, **Swan Lake**. Tchaikovsky's (*ch-eye-kof-sky's*) first ballet, **Swan Lake** is an enchanting classic that continues to mesmerize us with its stunning beauty, deception, love and romance for over 100 years. This ballet series is one example of the diverse alternative content programs we'll be bringing to this theater. Stay tuned for more exciting special events!

Royal Ballet's "La Fille Mal Gardee" July 23

We hope you can join us for the final ballet in our summer series on July 23. Often referred to as a "treasure," "Fille" is known as one of the sunniest ballets and a classic with the Royal Ballet. This is a funny and touching story....its a simple story of Lise, her suitor and her larger-than-life mother, who tries to marry her off to the simpleton son of a rich neighbor. It's full of hilarious comedy and fantastic choreography and perfect for first-timers and ballet lovers of all ages. Our ballet series is one example of the diverse alternative content programs we'll be bringing to this theater. Stay tuned for more exciting special events!



Beautify Your Neighborhood the Quick and Easy Way

Nothing creates a worse first impression of a neighborhood than driving down the streets and being greeted by a landscape of trash containers and bags on the curbside. Waste Management collects Hickory Creek's residential trash on Thursdays. Items for pick up may be placed on the curb after 6 pm on Wednesday evening and all containers should be returned to their storage place behind the front building line by 8 am Friday. Also remember to place loose items completely inside the trash container or in closed bags to prevent the blowing of loose litter. Thanks for your help in making Hickory Creek a great place to work, live & play!

Whatever name you call it, spring is the perfect time to go through your house and get rid of unwanted items. If you want to hold an occasional sale in Hickory Creek there are a few things to remember:

- A permit is required. The current permit fee is \$5.00. Only 2 sales may be held at an address per year.
- The sale may last for 3 consecutive days only and may open at sunrise.
- The only items that can be sold are the used personal property of the residents holding the sale. Items purchased for resale or made specifically to be sold at an occasional sale are prohibited.
- A total of 5 sale signs may be placed out. All signs must display the address, dates and times of the sale and the permit number. They may be no larger than 4 square feet, be posted on a wood or metal spike in the ground and must be placed on private property. Any signs found on public right-of-ways, attached to any other signs, posts, poles or traffic control devices, or that do not have a valid permit number will be removed.



• Signs may be placed out 24 hours before the sale starts and all signs and sale items need to picked back up the morning after it closes.

MOVING SALE

If you have any questions about how to have an occasional sale, please contact Code Enforcement at 940/497-2528 or pick up a copy of the Occasional Sale Brochure at Town Hall.

DENTON COUNTY Web Tips www.dentoncountycrimestoppers.com

1-800-388-TIPS Hotline



Wanted As Of: 09/26/2014

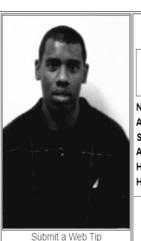
MAN DEL CS PG 1>=4G<200G POSS CS PG 3<28G

DAVID JAMES ABBRUZZESE Name:

Alias:

Male Race: Caucasian Sex: DOB: 05/17/1968 Age: Height: 5ft 8in Weight: 220 lbs Hair: Eyes: Hazel

Warrant: CR-2014-05562-E F-2010-2876-E



Wanted As Of: 07/01/2014

POSS PARIJ >40Z<5LBS DRUG FREE

Jacolby Colomb Name:

Alias:

Race: Black DOB: 03/27/1981 Age: Height: 6ft 0in Weight: 200 lbs Hair: Black Eyes: Brown

Warrant: F-2010-0073-E



Wanted As Of: 07/21/2010

ATTEMPT TO COMMIT SEXUAL ASSAULT

Name: FARAZ MUHAMMA SURIA

Alias:

Sex: Male Race: Hispanic 31 DOB: 03/26/1983 Age: Height: 5ft 10in Weight: 190 lbs Eyes: Brown Hair:

Warrant: F-2010-1965-E



Wanted As Of: 04/16/2013

Prohibited Weapon

Name: Joel Wayne Lasater

Alias: Larry Davis, JW

Unknown Sex: Race: Caucasian DOB: 03/17/1971 43 Age: Height: 6ft 0in Weight: 170 lbs

Hair: Brown Eyes: Blue

Warrant: F-2013-0664-A



Wanted As Of: 08/06/2014

POSS MARIJ >5LBS<=50LBS

Name: Mark Espinoza

Alias:

Sex: Race: Hispanic Male 25 DOB: 12/05/1989 Age: Height: 5ft 6in Weight: 180 lbs

Eyes: Brown

Warrant: F-2010-0016-D



Submit a Web Tip

Wanted As Of: 09/11/2014

Poss CS PG 1>=4g<200g; Poss CS PG 3 <28g; Fail to Identify Giving False/Fictitious Info, Poss Marij <20z

Name: Joshua Deonta Hill

May use brother's name of Jeremy Alias:

Sex: Male Race: Black DOB: 04/26/1989 Age: 24 Height: 5ft 8in Weight: 140 lbs Hair: Black Eyes: Brown

Warrant: F-2014-1929-C, F-UND-2014-252, F-UND-2014-251, MW-14-0250, MW-14-0249, MW-14-0251



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We're on the Web! www.hickorycreek-tx.gov

Visit Your Town Hall

Parks & Recreation Board—1st Monday @7PM
Planning &Zoning Commission—1st Wednesday @7PM
Town Council—3rd Tuesday @ 6:30 PM
Economic Development Corporation—4th Thursday @7PM
www.hickorycreekEDC.com



Police Department 1075 Ronald Reagan Avenue 940-497-3520 Police/Fire Emergency 911 Non-emergency (940)349-1600

Hickory Creek Animal Services 970 Main Street (940)349-1600

Hickory Creek Animal Shelter & Adoption Center 970 Main Street (940)465-7444